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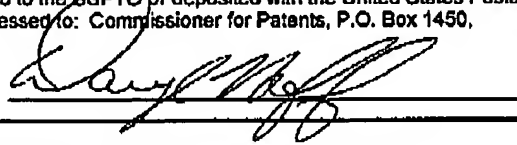
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In the Restriction Requirement dated December 14, 2005, the Examiner requires restriction to one of two patentably distinct inventions:

Group I, claims 1-10 drawn to a semiconductor device; and

Group II, claims 11-20 drawn to method of making a semiconductor.

In response, Applicants elect the Group I claims 1-10 for examination without traverse.

Prompt examination of this application is respectfully requested.

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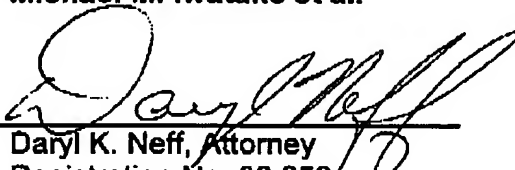
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